# Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Current Functions for the Drug Medi-Cal Program

## Policy/Programmatic Functions

- Single State Agency Roles and Responsibilities
  - Compliance with federal laws and regulations
  - o Issue policies, rules, and regulations on program matters.
  - o Policy review, analysis and interpretation
  - o Administer or supervise the administration of the State Plan
  - Inter/intra departmental liaison
- Develop State Plan Amendments
- Responsible for administrative oversight
- Respond to federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) inquiries
- Develop, revise and oversee the Interagency Agreement
- Provide support and assistance with litigation and law suits

## Fiscal/Financial Functions

- Provide policy guidance regarding implementation and system changes/updates for the Short Doyle/Medi-Cal (SD/MC) II system
- Review and approve rates
- Review, approve and process invoices for payment
- Draw down federal financial participation
- Prepare Medi-Cal fiscal/policy budget assumptions
- Review, approve and coordinate aid code updates

## Legal Functions

- Provide legal consultation, review and analysis on programmatic and fiscal aspects
- Review and approve State Plan Amendments
- Participate in litigation and law suits

#### IT Functions

- SD/MC II roll-out, system changes, updates, and guidance
- Participate in state and county SD/MC II task groups
- SD/MC II Activities
  - Business Analysis
  - Contract Management
  - HIPAA subject matter expertise
  - County/trading partner outreach and training
  - System testing
  - Companion Guide Analysis
  - Claim reporting analysis